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BA	Andrew B. Gelman et al., "Bayesian Data Analysis", pgs. 439-455, Chapman & Hall/CRC, First Edition 1995, Reprinted 2000.
BB	"Webster's New World Dictionary", 2nd College edition, pg 721, The World Publishing Company, 1972.

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